

# **Licenses and Consumer Services**

## **Licenses Definitions**

### **Alcohol Related License Definitions**

**Amusement Mechanical Device:** Machines or devices that upon the insertion of a coin, slug, token, or paper currency; through a fee charged by the establishment; or equipped to permit a free play or game:

- 1) Operate mechanically, electronically, and/or by means of a video display;
- 2) Operate as a game, contest or other amusement and do not have an automatic payoff device for the return of money, coins, merchandise, checks, tokens or any item of value, including pinball machines or mechanical miniature pool tables, bowling machines, shuffleboards, electric rifle or gun ranges, miniature mechanical devices or games patterned after baseball, basketball, hockey and similar games, played solely for amusement and not as gambling devices.

Amusement Mechanical Devices also include amusement devices, photo machines, non-commercial recording machines, machine operated target shooting, bowling games, baseball games, and card games.

Each machine must be licensed.

**Amusement, Place of:** In addition to the Amusement Mechanical Devices license, any place where three or more amusement mechanical devices are used or displayed for use requires a Place of Amusement license. The following are exempt:

- 1) Places that are licensed for on-sale liquor, wine or beer and have three or fewer amusement devices;
- 2) Places where these devices are held in storage or for sale and are not actually used or displayed for use;
- 3) Places owned or operated by a public corporation.

**Antique Dealer:** Any natural person, partnership or corporation, either as principal or agent or employee thereof, whose regular business includes selling or receiving goods previously owned, used, rented or leased. At least 90 percent of the used goods on hand at all times must consist of antiques, offered for sale

upon the basis that the value of the property is derived from its historical association and exceeds the original value of the item when new. Class A is 400 or more transactions per year. Class B is 399 or fewer transactions per year.

**Antique Mall Dealer:** Any natural person, partnership or corporation, either as principal or agent thereof, who sells antiques at a licensed Antique Mall. Class A is 400 or more transactions per year. Class B is 399 or fewer transactions per year.

**Antique Mall Operator:** Any natural person, partnership or corporation, either as principal or agent thereof, who operates a business at which one or more Antique Mall Dealers are engaged in business by maintaining separate sales spaces and identifying themselves to the public as individual antique dealers. All of the following requirements must be met:

- 1) The business has a single name and address.
- 2) The business operates in a compact and contiguous space.
- 3) The business is under the unified control and supervision of one person, partnership, firm or corporation, which holds the antique mall operator license.
- 4) All sales are consummated at a central point or register operated by the antique mall operator, and the antique mall operator maintains a comprehensive account of all sales.
- 5) Each antique mall dealer operating at the antique mall operator's location is properly licensed and complies with all applicable requirements.
- 6) The antique mall operator maintains a complete and accurate file of the current and valid licenses issued to each of the antique mall dealers conducting business at that location.
- 7) Individuals, partnerships or corporations that are part of the business entity licensed as the antique mall operator, and who maintain separate sales space, or identify themselves to the public as an individual antique dealer at that location, are also individually licensed as antique mall dealers. Class A is 400 or more transactions per year. Class B is 399 or fewer transactions per year.

**Auction House Dealer:** Any secondhand dealer who offers some or all secondhand merchandise for sale to the highest bid or offer tendered. If the sale is conducted by means of an auction, the auctioneer must be properly licensed and bonded in accordance with applicable Minnesota laws.

**Bed and Breakfast:** An establishment where short-term lodging in a single family or two-family residence is provided for compensation and breakfast may be served to guests.

**Boarding House:** The owner or operator of a rooming house where meals are served to tenants. Communal kitchens are permitted.

**Bowling Alley:** A building containing a number of long, narrow, wooden lanes used for the game of bowling or tenpins. If the business is open 24 hours a day, a Special All Night Bowling, Pool or Billiards License is required.

**Building Wrecker:** An individual who has the necessary qualifications, training, experience and technical knowledge to wreck, demolish or tear down any building or structure.

**Class A Building Wrecker** may engage in the business of wrecking, demolishing or tearing down any building or structure regardless of size or height.

**Class B Building Wrecker** may engage in the business of wrecking, demolishing or tearing down buildings not exceeding three stories or 35 feet in height and not exceeding a total of 10,000 square feet of floor area on all floor levels above grade.

**Butcher Shop:** See Meat Market.

**Car Wash:** Premises used primarily for the washing of automobiles. This includes self-service car wash establishments and does not include garages and gasoline filling stations where the washing of automobiles is only incidental to the business, nor premises used for short and intermittent periods. Any business providing hand washing vehicle services is required to obtain a car wash license.

**Carnival:** A group of attractions, whether shows, acts, games, vending devices or amusement rides, conducted independently or under one or more managements, that are temporarily set up in a public or private place, accessible to the public, with or without an admission fee. No games of chance or gambling are allowed at a carnival.

**Caterer:** A food establishment providing, preparing, and/or serving food at satellite locations for groups where all food and service expenses are paid by the group and not for individual sale. Retail sale of individual meals is prohibited. If food is delivered to a customer, this is not considered catering (i.e., box lunches, pizza). If food is served and/or reusable utensils are used, a catering license is required. Food Vehicle License is required for a caterer who transports food with a vehicle. Approved food transport containers must be provided.

**Charitable Gambling:** Lawful gambling in Minneapolis is restricted to licensed gambling organizations and nonprofit organizations meeting all state and local criteria. All other gambling is prohibited by law. All nonprofit organizations require an Exempt Lawful Gambling Permit.

**Charitable Solicitor:** Organizations that solicit money or goods for charitable purposes. They must have tax designation as a 501(c)(3) and be registered with the Minnesota Attorney General's office in good standing. Individuals must complete the [Charitable Solicitors, Individual](#) registration.

**Canvasser:** An individual, on behalf of an organization, who advocates for a cause without collecting any donations. No license is needed. May distribute literature. May represent a political or nonprofit organization, for example. If contributions or donations are accepted, a [Solicitors License](#) is required.

See Charitable Solicitor, Peddler, Solicitor (Company), Solicitor (Individual), Transient Merchant.

**Children's Rides:** Any animal used to give rides to children or to power a vehicle used to give rides to children.

**Christmas Tree Dealers:** The sale, barter, trade or giving away of cut evergreen fir, spruce or other tree of like kind for use as a Christmas tree. This does not apply to ornamental trees having a height of less than 36 inches that are fireproofed and sprayed with a coloring and used by florists for decorative schemes.

**Circus:** A public performance given by a traveling company of acrobats, clowns, entertainers and/or trained animals.

**Coffee Shop:** A food establishment with food preparation and service for carryout, delivery or on-site dining. If there are 13 or more seats, a Restaurant License is required. If there are 12 or fewer seats, a Food Manufacturer License is required.

**Community Kitchen:** A commercial kitchen that may be used by licensed businesses or community members for cooking noncommercial or exempt foods or cooking classes and/or other related activities. A Food Manufacturer license is required. A Boarding House license may be required.

**Confectionery:** Facilities that sell ready-to-eat, single-service, prepackaged snack items and beverages including, but not limited to, chips, pop, candy, crackers, cookies, pastries, popcorn, sandwiches, milk, yogurt, ice cream, cheese and/or microwavable single-service soups or entrees. Ready-to-eat, single-serving fruits and vegetables prewashed by supplier may be sold if the facility has a conveniently located hand wash sink. Packaging or repackaging of food is prohibited. If the facility is equipped with an NSF-approved three-compartment ware-washing sink with two drain boards and a hand wash sink conveniently located in the ware-washing area, the following potentially non-hazardous items may be sold: coffee, flavored specialty coffees dispensed from a self-service device, pastries in a self-service display case, and/or candies in bulk containers for self-service. Food products designed for home preparation are not permitted. A commercial-grade microwave oven for self-service reheating of purchased food items is permitted. Potentially hazardous foods must be stored and displayed in approved commercial refrigerators or freezers. Confectionery licenses are often associated with hardware stores, dollar stores, car washes, tobacco shops, hotels, video stores, offices, condominiums or apartment buildings.

**Congregate (Institutional) Food Service:** A food establishment that serves food primarily to a defined population in a congregate dining fashion and may include commercial child care centers, hospital cafeterias, public and private schools, senior independent living facilities, charitable dining halls, community food service or similar facilities. Institutional food service does not mean home-based daycare businesses, establishments that operate with a City Board and Lodging License or food service operations at group homes, nursing homes, and veteran homes, etc. that are licensed at the county, state or federal level.

**Dance Hall:** A public dance place is any room, place or space in which dancing is open to the public and payment, either directly or indirectly, is charged. Payment may be in the form of a cover charge, admission fee, or club membership, to name a few.

Public Dance: Any dance open to the public in which payment, either directly or indirectly, is charged. No public dance shall be held during the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. on any weekday or between 2 a.m. and noon on Sunday. All hours of operation are subject to zoning requirements.

No intoxicating liquor or 3.2 beer shall be served or consumed in any public dance hall where such public dancing constitutes the principal feature.

This license does not apply to any regularly established club, public or private, where public dancing does not constitute the principal feature and the dance floor area does not exceed 2,000 square feet.

A Dance School License is required if the following exist: Instruction in the art of dancing or dancing lessons are given and a charge or fee for such instruction is made, paid or received.

No license will be issued to anyone who is under the age of 18 years.

**Dancing School:** Any building, room, enclosure, premise, place or establishment in the city where instruction in the art of dancing or dancing lessons is given and where a charge or fee for such instruction is made, paid or received. A Dance Hall License is required if either one of the following exists:

1) Public Dance: Any dance open to the public in which payment, either directly or indirectly, is charged. No public dance shall be held during the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. on any weekday or between 2 a.m. and noon on Sunday. All hours of operation are subject to zoning requirements.

2. Public Dance Place: A public dance place is any room, place, or space in which dancing is open to the public and payment, either directly or indirectly, is charged. Payment may be in the form of a cover charge, admission fee, or club membership, to name a few.

**Drive-in Restaurant:** A food facility that sells food to customers in automobiles from a window. A Drive-In is a full service food facility providing frozen, confectionery, and/or hot foods. A Drive-In, Restricted is a limited service food facility selling popcorn and/or ice cream. No hot food service.

### **Dry Cleaner, Laundry, Pick-Up Station Licenses:**

**Dry Cleaning Establishment:** A place where cleaning or dyeing of clothing or other like materials is accomplished with chemicals other than water and for

which a charge is made. Licenses include Flammable Dry Cleaning Establishment and Non-Flammable Dry Cleaning Establishment.

Dry Cleaning is the process of removing dirt, grease, paints, or other stains from wearing apparel, textiles, fabrics, rugs, and similar items, by using non-aqueous liquid solvents, whether flammable or nonflammable.

**Coin Operated Dry Cleaning Machine Plant:** Any place where any number of coin-operated dry cleaning machines are installed for use as self-service dry cleaning machines. These may be operated by coin, chip or attendant. Each individual cleaning cylinder shall constitute one machine. Licenses include Flammable Dry Cleaning Establishment and Non-Flammable Dry Cleaning Establishment.

**Laundry Premises:** A place where clothing or other like articles are accepted from the public for washing or cleaning and for which a charge is made. The work must be performed on the licensed premises. This includes self-service laundries, laundrettes, and laundromats. License type is Laundry. If a business provides both laundry and dry cleaning services, only a Dry Cleaning License is required.

**Pick-Up Station:** A business establishment that accepts from the public clothing or other like material to be laundered, dry cleaned, dyed, or pressed and for which a charge is made. The laundering, dry cleaning, dying, or pressing cannot be conducted on the premises. Pick-Up Station Licenses are available for both laundry and dry cleaning. No separate license is needed if applicant has a Laundry or Dry Cleaning license (Laundry on Premises; Dry Cleaning Pick-Up business, for example).

**Duct Cleaner:** An individual engaged only in the business of cleaning air distribution or air exhaust systems provided that no dismantling or replacement of equipment is required other than the installation of necessary cleanout openings. Formerly known as Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning Class B.

### **Entertainment Related License Definitions**

**Entertainment, Place of:** Any privately owned place where entertainment is offered or given to the public, whether or not a fee is charged for admission or retail sales of property are made on the premises. Entertainment includes shows, skits, musical revues, children's theater, dance productions, public dances, musical concerts, opera and the production or provision of sights, sounds, visual or auditory sensations that are produced by any means, including radio, phonograph, television, video reproduction, tape recorder, piano,

orchestra, band, or any other musical instrument, slide or movie projector, spotlight, or interruptible or flashing light device and decoration.

The following are exempt from a Place of Entertainment License: Religious organizations; theaters; dance halls; carnivals; places licensed for on-sale beer, wine or liquor; food establishments with less than 2,500 square feet; or places primarily devoted to the display and sale of radios, phonographs, tape recorders, pianos, musical instruments, records, tapes, moving pictures, televisions or stage equipment.

Hours of music for establishments with a food license are restricted between 2 a.m. and 8 a.m. All hours of operation are subject to zoning requirements.

**Exhibition Exhibitor:** Any natural person, partnership, corporation or association, either as principal or agent or employee thereof, who offers used or previously owned merchandise for sale at an exhibition.

Exhibition means a temporary convention, show or exposition of secondhand goods by any person, partnership, corporation or association. No exhibition shall be held for more than five (5) consecutive calendar days. No more than 12 exhibitions may be held at a single location, other than the Minneapolis Convention Center, in a calendar year.

**Exhibition Operator:** Any natural person, partnership, corporation or association, whether as principal or agent or employee thereof, who organizes, promotes or conducts an exhibition. Class A: More than 75 exhibitors; Class B: 50 to 75 exhibitors; Class C: fewer than 50 exhibitors.

A license is not required for the following sales:

- 1) Receipt of used merchandise donated to recognized nonprofit organization and for which no compensation is paid;
- 2) Books, magazines, post cards, postage stamps or philatelic material; philatelic material includes postage stamps, revenue stamps, stamped envelopes, postmarks, postal cards, covers, and similar material relating to postal or fiscal history.
- 3) Goods sold at the public market as defined in Chapter 202 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances;
- 4) Used motor vehicles by licensed dealers;



5) Numismatic related articles, including but not limited to coins, currency, tokens, medals and other related collectibles if the exhibition operator is a nationally recognized nonprofit numismatic society or association and the exhibition is held at the Minneapolis Convention Center. Numismatic refers to coins, medals, paper money, etc.

**Farmers' Market:** See Public Market.

**Farmers' Markets Exemptions:** The farmers' market vendors listed below are exempt from licensing requirements and fees. However, before selling exempted farm products in Minneapolis, applicants are required to complete the Farmer's Licensing Exemption Form and submit it to the primary farmer's market manager located in Minneapolis. Upon approval by the City of Minneapolis, a permit will be mailed to the applicant.

**Grower:** Persons who sell products (e.g., eggs, fruits, vegetables, herbs, etc.) from a farm or garden occupied and cultivated by them.

**Meat/Poultry Processor:** Persons who sell the meats of animals raised on their farm and processed/packaged at a licensed facility inspected by MDA/USDA or equivalent agency.

**Pickle Bill:** Individuals who prepare and sell food products which are home-processed and home-canned in Minnesota with gross receipts from your canned food items not exceeding \$5,000 in a calendar year. Pickles, vegetables or fruits *must* have an equilibrium pH value of 4.6 or lower. The following types of foods *cannot* be sold under either of the above exemptions: apple or fruit juice, pumpkin pies, custard pies, cream puff's, low acid canned foods such as green beans, corn, peas, mushrooms, soups, meat, fish, eggs or any other ready-to-eat potentially hazardous foods products containing meat, eggs, dairy or any product that requires refrigeration.

**Fire Extinguisher Servicing:** A license is required to service portable fire extinguishers. Servicing includes but is not limited to maintaining, repairing, testing, filling, refilling, charging or recharging. Class A is authorized to service the general public. Class B is limited to service on his/her own fire extinguishers.

**Fire Extinguisher:** Equipment designed for extinguishing fires. Contains a liquid or powder and uses pressure as a propellant. May contain a toxic liquid or powder that vaporizes when exposed to a specific temperature.

**Portable Fire Extinguisher:** A device that contains chemicals, fluids or gases for extinguishing fires and is capable of being readily moved from place to place.

**Flower Cart Vendor:** Individuals who sell fresh cut flowers on the public sidewalks or public right-of-way of Nicollet Mall from a nonmotorized pushcart. Carts may not use lights or noisemakers such as bells, horns or whistles unless they are battery operated lights with protective shielding for the purpose of illuminating merchandise. Flower carts may not operate between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. on any day. Each individual operating a cart must file a separate application for each separate flower cart. Flower cart locations will be determined by lottery. Applications must be filed by March 1 to be eligible for the lottery. Individuals who sell fresh cut flowers without a cart on public property require a Peddler's License. Vendors may sell fresh cut flowers from private property without a license if they have written permission from the private property owner.

### **Food Related License Definitions**

**Food Cart Vendor, Indoor:** An individual who sells prepackaged or limited ready-to-eat foods from a mobile cart on private property.

**Food Cart Vendor, Kiosk:** An individual who sells prepackaged or limited ready-to-eat foods from a food cart in a kiosk that has direct plumbing on private property.

**Food Cart Vendor, Sidewalk:** An individual who sells prepackaged or limited ready-to-eat foods from a mobile cart on public sidewalks and private property in downtown.

**Food Distributor:** A vendor selling or reselling foods to retail establishments for off-site consumption.

**Food Distributor, Out of Town:** A vendor whose place of business is outside the city limits, who sells or resells foods for off-site consumption, and who does not have a state license under Minnesota Statute 28A.

**Food Manufacturer:** A vendor preparing and/or selling foods for carry out, delivery, or on-site dining with 12 or fewer seats for customers or a community kitchen.

**Food Shelf:** A food establishment operated by a nonprofit organization where food is collected, stored, or packaged for free distribution to individuals who qualify for food according to need.

**Fuel Dealer:** A person who sells, offers to sell, or advertises the sale of any fuel. This license does not apply to solicitors, sales persons/dealers.

**Cash and Carry Fuel Dealer:** A person who does not use or operate any vehicles for delivery of fuel.

**Firewood:** Any kindling logs, boards, timbers or other wood, natural or processed, split or not split, advertised, offered for sale or sold for heating purposes. It is unlawful to transport, store or sell within the city any bark bearing elmwood, ashwood or any wood of a tree that has been infected or infested by an invasive species without having obtained a permit from the Park and Recreation Board.

**Fuel:** Coal, lignite, briquets, coke, firewood, fuel oil, liquid petroleum gas or other similar matter used for heating purposes.

Licenses are not required in the following circumstances:

- 1) Gasoline filling stations or service stations selling fuel oil incidentally to its operation where such sales do not exceed 10 gallons and where the fuel oil kept at such station does not exceed 265 gallons.
- 2) Any person who sells firewood solely in packaged form.

**Gambling, Charitable:** Lawful Gambling in Minneapolis is restricted to Licensed Gambling Organizations and Nonprofit organizations meeting all state and local criteria. All other gambling is prohibited by law. All Nonprofit organizations require an Exempt Lawful Gambling Permit.

**Games of Skill:** Any place where balls or missiles of any kind are thrown or shot at any type of target. This applies to non-coin-operated games only. If games are coin operated (token, slug, ticket), an Amusement Mechanical Device license is required.

**Garbage Hauler:** See Solid Waste Hauler.

**Gas Fitter:** An individual person holding a valid certificate of competency issued by the City of Minneapolis who has the necessary qualifications, training,

experience, and technical knowledge to install, alter, repair and service fuel gas burning equipment and systems.

**Gasoline Filling Station:** A business engaged in the dispensing, handling, or sale of gasoline or other fuels to the public. A license is not required where tanks or pumps are installed or maintained for private use only. Fees are based on the number of simultaneous fueling stations.

**Going Out of Business Sale:** A sale or offer to sell to the public merchandise of any kind, on hand and in stock, in connection with a declared purpose, as set forth by advertising on the part of the seller that the sale is:

**Going Out of Business (Regular):** Anticipatory to the termination, closing, liquidation, windup, discontinuance, conclusion or abandonment of the business and advertised in the following phrases or in any similar phrases: "Going out of Business Sale," "Trustee's Sale," "Liquidation Sale," "Executor's Sale," "Administrator's Sale," "Adjustment Sale," "Reorganization Sale," "Creditors' Committee Sale," "Assignee's Sale," "Receiver's Sale," "Loss of Lease Sale," "Forced out of Business Sale," "Removal Sale." A "Removal Sale" is defined as a sale that causes the public to believe that the person conducting the sale will cease and discontinue business at that location, and will then move to another location. These sales are limited to 45 days.

**Going Out of Business (Fire or Smoke Damage, Actual Disaster):** A result of damage or alteration to the merchandise being offered for sale by disaster or other fortuitous occurrence and advertised in the following phrases or similar phrases: "Fire Sale," "Insurance Salvage Sale," "Damaged Goods Sale," "Smoke Sale," "Water Damage Sale." License Inspectors will verify date of fire with the Fire Department.

**Advertise:** Any means, whether oral, written, lettered or by picture, used to give notice of intention to conduct a sale, including but not limited to, oral announcement made at the place of sale, by sound truck, radio or television; by written, printed or pictured notice; by newspaper advertisement, magazine advertisement, handbill, printed display, poster, label, price tag, circular, pamphlet or book.

**Inventory:** License Inspectors will verify inventory with the insurance company.

**Merchandise:** All kinds of goods, wares and merchandise usually sold for consumption. This license does not apply to:

1) a sale by a regularly established retailer, at its regular place of business, if held for a period not to exceed 15 successive days, excluding Sundays and

holidays, during the period of 90 days immediately following actual damage to the merchandise by fire, water, smoke or other chance circumstance;

2) if merchandise is taken on consignment directly from insurance companies and there is no advertisement for a sale; or

3) sales conducted by public entities or court ordered.

**Grocery:** A retail establishment that sells such products as staple foods, accessory food items and household goods and maintains a minimum sales floor area of 2,000 square feet. Specialty food stores, filling stations that do not have more than 300 square feet of retail sales floor area, and grocery stores located in the central commercial district or in a shopping center are not required to meet the 2,000 square foot sales floor requirement.

**Staple foods:** Food items intended for home preparation and consumption including meat, poultry, fish, fruits, vegetables, fruit and vegetable juices, bread, breadstuffs, cereals and dairy products.

Accessory food items: Nonstaple food items such as coffee, tea, cocoa, carbonated and uncarbonated drinks, candy, condiments and spices.

**Grocery Specialty Food Store:** A retail establishment that sells only specialized types of staple foods and accessory foods. This includes but is not limited to imported food stores, gift shops, department stores, and general retail stores that specialize in products other than consumable products. A specialty food store is not a grocery store that sells a wide variety of common staple food items to qualify for government supplemental nutrition programs.

**Groceteria:** The sale of prepackaged groceries, meats, provisions and miscellaneous goods at designated senior citizens' high rise apartments that do not have a licensed grocery-meat market operation on the premises. No sales shall be made from any mobile groceteria upon the city streets, alleys or public way.

**Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Class A:** An individual holding a valid certificate of competency issued by the City of Minneapolis who has the necessary qualifications, training, experience, and technical knowledge to install, alter, repair, service and clean air handling equipment and air distribution systems for heating, ventilation or air conditioning and supervise/direct the work of others engaged in the same.

**Horse and Carriage Livery Services:** A horse-drawn, two- or four-wheel carriage for hire driven by the owner or designated driver for the recreational transportation of the public. A separate license is not required for each horse. Hours of operation are limited to the hours between 6 a.m.-10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. and subject to the Public Works' parade, festival and Metrodome event restrictions. Rates shall be posted on the carriage and visible to entering and seated passengers.

**Hotel / Motel:** Every building or structure kept, used, maintained, or advertised as a place where sleeping or rooming accommodations are furnished to the general public for a shorter period than one week, with or without meals.

**Ice Producer, Dealer, Wholesaler or Peddler:**

Cash and Carry Ice Station: Any place, building or structure from which ice is delivered directly to the consumer.

Dealer or Wholesaler: Any person who purchases and sells ice to others, who in turn resells ice to the commercial or domestic trade.

Industry: The production, manufacture or harvesting of ice either within or outside of the city, and the selling, distributing or merchandising of ice either wholesale or retail in the city.

Peddler: Any person who buys, resells and delivers ice to the commercial or domestic trade from a vehicle.

Producer: Any person who manufactures or harvests ice either within or outside of the city and who sells, distributes or merchandises ice within the city.

**Institutional/Congregate Food Service:** A food establishment that serves food primarily to a defined population in a congregate dining fashion and may include commercial child care centers, hospital cafeterias, public and private schools, senior independent living facilities, charitable dining halls, community food service or similar facilities. Institutional food service does not mean home-based daycare businesses, establishments that operate with a City Board and Lodging License or food service operations at group homes, nursing homes, and veterans' homes, etc. that are licensed at the county, state or federal level.

**Jukebox:** Two types of jukeboxes require a license:

Movie Musical Jukebox: A machine that, upon the insertion of a coin or slug, shows movies and plays music at the same time.

Musical Jukebox: A machine that plays music upon the insertion of a coin or slug. Liquor establishments do not need a musical jukebox license.

**Laundry Premises:** A place where clothing or other like articles are accepted from the public for washing or cleaning and for which a charge is made. The work must be performed on the licensed premises. This includes self-service laundries, laundrettes, and laundromats. License type is Laundry. If a business provides both laundry and dry cleaning services, only a Dry Cleaning License is required.

**Limited Mobile Food Vendor:** An individual who sells prepackaged items such as ice cream, pop, candy, and/or potato chips from a vehicle parked curbside on a public street.

**Limited Mobile Food Vendor, City Parks:** An individual who sells prepackaged items such as ice cream, pop, candy, and/or potato chips from a vehicle only in city parks.

**Liquid Waste Hauler:** An industrial hauler that collects, transports and discharges liquid waste into designated public sewers.

**Liquor Catering:** On-sale liquor license holders with a State of Minnesota Liquor Catering Permit and a food catering permit may serve food and alcohol at private events.

**Local Produce Markets:** Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa farmers/growers or individuals who sell locally produced fruits and/or vegetables grown in their farm/garden at an outside, public market. This includes the sale of flowers, herbs and potted starter produce plants grown locally by farmers. The following are prohibited in the market: food manufacturers or food distributors including sandwich makers, cooking demonstrations, coffee carts, or pastry sellers, for example; vendors selling fruits and/or vegetables purchased from retailers or wholesalers; arts/crafts or other nonfood vendors. A maximum of five vendors are allowed in the market on any given day. Business licenses are available for larger markets or markets desiring other types of vendors and features. For more

information, call Business Licensing at 612-673-3000 or 311 or [BusinessLicenses@minneapolismn.gov](mailto:BusinessLicenses@minneapolismn.gov).

**Market Distributor:** A vendor in a public or municipal market who sells or resells for off-site consumption prepackaged foods that do not require food handling in the market. This includes farmers who sell produce purchased from a wholesaler.

**Market Manufacturer:** A vendor in a public or municipal market who sells foods for immediate consumption. No ready-to-eat or foods available for immediate consumption shall be offered for sale, displayed, or sold on the Nicollet Mall extension of the municipal market.

**Market, Public (Farmers' Market):** A city-regulated place for the selling and buying of farm products and other market related products.

**Meat Market (Butcher Shop):** A retail food establishment providing manufacturing, processing, preparation, storage, handling or selling of fresh animal products.

Animal products: The portions of animals used as food such as, but not limited to, the dressed flesh of cattle, swine, sheep, goats, wild game, poultry, fish, shellfish, shell stock and other edible animals or similar types of foods that are offered for human consumption.

Meat food products: Any articles of food or articles that enter into the composition of food that are not prepared meats, but are derived or prepared, in whole or in part, by a process of manufacture from any portion of the carcasses of cattle, swine, sheep or goats.

Product wholesaler: Any person who processes meat and meat food products and sells these products or any part thereof at wholesale to be retailed for human consumption. This does not apply to any meat or meat products that are sold at retail on the premises.

**Milk and Grocery Delivery Vehicle:** Any person who delivers groceries, including milk, or its products, from a vehicle.

Milk is defined as fresh, sweet milk produced by healthy cows that has been pasteurized before or during the manufacture or nonfat dry milk. It shall not contain buttermilk, preservatives, neutralizing agents or any other chemicals, except vitamins as approved by ordinance. Milk products must be pasteurized in



a certified pasteurization plant. This license is not required for retail grocery stores delivering milk or groceries to city homes or places of business.

**Milk Delivery Vehicle:** A person who delivers groceries, including milk, or its products, from a vehicle.

**Milk Distributor:** A person who sells pasteurized milk or milk products within the city.

**Mobile Food Vendor Vehicle:** A food establishment preparing and/or serving foods from a self-contained vehicle, either motorized or within a trailer on public sidewalks, private property, or curbside on public streets. The vehicle must be readily movable, without disassembling, for transport. Sidewalk and parking lot location are assigned to individual vendors. Street locations are available to all licensed vendors daily on a first-come first-served basis. Vehicles may not be kept, stored, or maintained on a residentially zoned property.

**Mobile Food Vendor, Limited:** An individual who sells prepackaged items such as ice cream, pop, candy, and/or potato chips from a vehicle.

**Mobile Food Vendor, Limited, City Parks:** An individual who sells prepackaged items such as ice cream, pop, candy, and/or potato chips from a vehicle only in city parks.

**Motor Scooter Leasing:** A motor scooter is any motor-driven bicycle used principally for sports or pleasure, driven on the streets of the city. Motor scooter businesses lease or furnish motor scooters for pay or hire for less than 24 hours.

**Motor Vehicle Dealers:** Any person who sells or offers to sell more than three motor vehicles in a 12-month period. Vehicle sales are limited to the business address only. Sales at any other unlicensed location are prohibited. Separate licenses shall not be required for the employees acting on behalf of licensed dealers.

New motor vehicle dealer: Any person who sells or offers to sell, broker, wholesale, auction, solicit, or advertise the sale of new and used motor vehicles for consumer use at retail or for resale to a dealer. Before an auction of a motor vehicle, a licensee shall be required to obtain an auctioneer's license from the State of Minnesota or Hennepin County or hire a licensed auctioneer.

Used motor vehicle dealer: Any person who sells or offers to sell, broker, wholesale, auction, solicit, or advertise the sale of used motor vehicles for consumer use at retail or for resale to a dealer. Before an auction of a motor vehicle, a licensee shall be required to obtain an auctioneer's license from the State of Minnesota or Hennepin County or hire a licensed auctioneer.

Motor vehicle broker: Any person in the business of brokering, soliciting, or advertising the brokerage of used motor vehicles.

Motor vehicle wholesaler: Any person in the business of wholesaling motor vehicles to dealers.

Motor vehicle auctioneer: Any person who auctions motor vehicles for more than one owner at an auction or offers to sell, solicit, or advertise the sale of motor vehicles at auction. This license shall be in addition to an auctioneer license from the State of Minnesota or Hennepin County.

Repair Services: A [Motor Vehicle Repair Garage License](#) is required if vehicle repair services are provided.

[Motor Vehicle Immobilization Service \(Booting\)](#): A person, firm or corporation who, at the request of a private property owner, immobilizes vehicles that have been placed on a private parking without permission or payment of a parking fee. Vehicle Immobilization is the use of a locking wheel boot that, when attached to the wheel of a vehicle, prevents free, self-propelled movement of the vehicle by the vehicle operator.

[Motor Vehicle Repair Garage](#): A business engaged in the repair of motor vehicles. Repairs include mechanical repairs, service, maintenance, alterations, diagnostic testing or body work, and/or the addition of equipment, supplies or parts to a motor vehicle. This license does not apply to businesses that:

- 1) solely provide fuel, check fluid levels, replace filters and other minor services customarily performed by a gasoline filling station or
- 2) engage exclusively in repairing the motor vehicles of its own fleet.

### **Motor Vehicle Towing/Service:**

[Class A](#): Private property towing at the request of a person who is not the owner or operator of the vehicle, and vehicle towing and car starting at the request of the owner or agent of the vehicle for hire.

**Class B:** Towing and car starting at the request of the owner or agent of the vehicle for hire.

**Class C:** Car starting for hire.

**Class D:** Towing or car starting, without compensation, for private or individual purposes.

**Motor Vehicle Used Parts Dealer:** Any person engaged in the business of buying, selling, or storing any combination of used, rebuilt, or new motor vehicle parts. This includes any person engaged in the business of crushing, shredding, or shipping motor vehicle hulks. A hulk is a major portion of a motor vehicle or a whole motor vehicle. This license does not apply to any person engaged solely in the business of buying, selling, or shipping scrap iron or used metal in the course of reprocessing such materials for use in smelters, foundries or other reprocessing plants.

**Off-Sale 3.2 Beer:** The sale of 3.2 beer in original packages in drugstores, general food stores and exclusive liquor stores for consumption off or away from the premises where sold. 3.2% malt liquor is malt liquor containing not less than .5% alcohol by volume or more than 3.2 % alcohol by weight. Examples: Grocery Store, Convenience Store, and/or Gas Station.

**Off-Sale Liquor:** The sale of liquor, wine or beer in original packages by exclusive liquor stores for consumption off of the premises. The main entrance of the establishment must be 2,000 feet away from the main entrance of any existing off-sale liquor establishment unless it is located in the B4 zoning district. Examples: Liquor Store and/or Wine Shop.

**Off-Sale Malt Liquor (Growler):** The sale of malt liquor in 64-ounce containers, commonly known as growlers, by a brewery licensed under Minnesota state statute 340A.301, for consumption off the premises. Effective August 2010, food license is no longer required for this license. A State of Minnesota [Wholesaler's/Manufacturer's Intoxicating Liquor License](#) is required. Brewers are limited to producing less than 3,500 barrels of malt liquor per year. Example: Microbrewery.

**Oil Burner Installer:** An individual holding a valid certificate of competency issued by the City of Minneapolis who has the necessary qualifications, training, experience and technical knowledge to install, alter, repair or service any oil

burner or oil burner equipment. An oil burner is any device designed to burn fuel oil having a flash point of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or higher, as determined by the Tag Closed Tester, in accordance with the method of test adopted by the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM Designation 5-56-21) and having a fuel tank or container with a capacity of more than 10 gallons connected to this device. Oil Burner Equipment includes oil burners as defined above and all tanks, piping, pumps, control devices and accessories connected to such burners. Exceptions include portable burners not requiring a connection to a flue, such as oil stoves, oil heaters and oil lamps equipped with a wick, or a mechanical device of which the movement is essential to flame adjustment.

**On-Sale 3.2 Beer\***: The sale of 3.2 beer for consumption at the licensed premises. Examples: Beer Bar, Restaurant.

**On-Sale Liquor\***: The sale of liquor, wine or beer for consumption at the licensed premises. Examples: Bar, Tavern, Nightclub, Restaurant.

**On-Sale Wine\***: The sale of wine (with the option of beer) for consumption at a licensed premises. Example: Restaurant.

\*On-Sale Licenses include a food license.

**Parking Lot**: Any open air place with 10 or more parking spaces used for the parking or storing of motor vehicles.

**Commercial Parking Lot**: A parking lot that charges a fee for parking or storing motor vehicles.

**Free Parking Lot**: A parking lot for which no fee is charged for parking or storing motor vehicles and is operated for the benefit of persons who are employees, members, customers, patrons, clients, or visitors. A license is not required.

**Parking Lot Class C – Temporary Events**: A commercial parking lot located in the geographical area near the TCF stadium that may charge customers a fee for event parking for up to 15 days per year.

**Pawnbroker**: Any natural person, partnership or corporation, either as principal, or agent or employee thereof, who

1) lends money on deposit or pledge of personal property or other valuable thing,

2) deals in the purchasing of personal property or other valuable things on condition of selling the same back again at a stipulated price, or

3) lends money secured by chattel mortgage on personal property, taking possession of the property or any part thereof so mortgaged. This also includes buying personal property previously used, rented or leased, or selling it on consignment.

**Peddler:** Individuals who offer merchandise for sale from door to door. Delivery and payment of sale occur immediately. A peddler's license may be administratively issued by the Department of Licenses and Consumer Services if the applicant has not been convicted of a crime.

See Canvasser, Charitable Solicitor, Solicitor (Company), Solicitor (Individual), Transient Merchant.

**Pedicab:** A pedicab is a nonmotorized, three-wheel bicycle used to carry passengers. Pedicab businesses provide pedicabs for hire for the recreational transportation of the general public.

**Pet Shop:** A business that offers the sale, grooming, breeding, treating, exhibition, or any other form of care for hire of any animal, reptile, fish or bird.

Mobile Pet Shop: A motor vehicle used for the sale, grooming, breeding, treating, exhibition, or any other form of care for hire of any animal, reptile, fish or bird. A mobile pet care vehicle does not include a motor vehicle used solely for transporting animals, reptiles, fish or birds. No sales of animals, including reptiles, fish, birds or bait, shall be permitted from the vehicle.

No person shall bring into his/her place of business, into the city, or have in his/her possession for sale or otherwise any animal which is vicious, diseased, exotic or wild by nature. This license shall not apply to veterinarians or to persons or places selling only frogs, fish, worms or reptiles for use as live bait for fishing, or to scientific or educational institutions licensed by the State of Minnesota Livestock Sanitary Board.

**Plumber:** An individual who provides or offers to provide the following: (1) Connections with the water pipes, water mains, branch sewers, main sewers, drains or other service pipes of the city; (2) Repairs, additions or alterations of any pipe, tap, stopcock, water closet or any other fixture connected with or designed to be connected with the water works or sewer system with the city; (3)

Installation, alteration or repair of any atmospheric burner; (4) Installation, alteration or repair of any power burner that does not exceed 100,000 BTUs; (5) Installation, alteration or repair of fuel gas piping, combustion air piping, fuel gas venting or gas burner equipment; (6) Installation, alteration or repair of any power burner equipment, provided the contractor employs a person holding a valid Master Gas Fitter Certificate of Competency issued by the City of Minneapolis. At no time may a plumber contractor install, alter, or repair any environmental burner. Items (3), (4), (5) and (6) do not apply to a contractor licensed only as a Gas Fitter Contractor.

**Pool and Billiard Halls:** A commercial establishment or room for the playing of pool or billiards whether or not a fee is charged. Pool or billiard halls or rooms may not be located within 500 yards of the grounds of any school, college, or university. An All Night Special Bowling, Pool and Billiards License is required if business is open 24 hours per day. Coin operated or mechanical pool tables require an Amusement Mechanical Device license.

**Precious Metal Dealer:** Any person, partnership or corporation, either as principal or agent, who engages in the business of buying or selling secondhand items containing precious metals, including but not limited to jewelry, watches, coins, eating utensils, candlestick holders, decorative objects and ingots. An ingot is a metal that is cast into a shape suitable for further processing. Precious metal includes gold, silver and platinum. Jewelry stores or coin shops that buy or trade items containing precious metals require a license.

**Public Market (Farmers' Market):** A city-regulated air place for the selling and buying of farm products and other market related products.

**Refrigeration Systems Installer:** A person holding a valid certificate of competency issued by the City of Minneapolis who has the necessary qualifications, training, experience, and technical knowledge to install, alter, repair and service refrigeration equipment and systems. Refrigeration equipment is any part of a refrigeration system that includes any combination of parts in which a refrigerant is circulated for the purpose of extracting heat.

**Rental Hall:** A building, facility, room, or portion thereof, that is rented, leased or otherwise made available to any person or group for a private event, not open to the general public, whether or not a fee is charged. A license is not required if:

1) the premises are licensed under Title 14 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances (Liquor Code);

- 2) a theater is operating within the scope of the license;
- 3) the hall has legal occupancy of fewer than 50 persons;
- 4) the purpose of the event is for bona fide religious or political activities; or
- 5) the hall is at an elementary, secondary, vocational or trade school, college or university, church, or affiliated with the Minneapolis Park Board or the City of Minneapolis.

A Temporary Rental Hall License may be granted for rental halls that are used for fewer than five days per year. Applications must be received at least 14 days before the event.

**Residential Specialty Contractor:** A person who, as a prime contractor or subcontractor:

- 1) owns/operates a residential specialty contracting business;
- 2) undertakes, offers to undertake, or agrees to perform any building contracting;
- 3) negotiates or offers to negotiate a building contract with an owner;
- 4) solicits or otherwise endeavors to procure a building contract from an owner;
- 5) works on one to four dwelling units.

This license authorizes an individual to perform *one* of the following disciplines:

Excavation: Excavating, trenching, grading, site grading.

Masonry/concrete: Drain systems, poured walls, slabs and poured-in-place footings.

Carpentry: Rough carpentry, finish carpentry, doors, windows and skylights, porches and decks (excluding concrete footings), wood foundations, drywall installation (excluding taping and finishing).

Interior finishing: Floor covering, wood floors, cabinet and countertop installation, insulation and vapor barriers, interior or exterior painting, ceramic, marble and quarry tile, wallpapering, ornamental guardrail and installation of prefabricated stairs.

Exterior finishing: Siding, soffit, fascia and trim, exterior plaster and stucco, painting, rain carrying.

Drywall and plaster: Installation, taping, finishing, interior plaster, painting, wallpapering.

Roofing: Roof coverings, roof sheathing, roof weatherproofing and insulation, repair of roof support system, but not construction of new roof support system. Roofers are required to obtain a State of Minnesota license. Contact the Department of Labor and Industry for further information.

General installation specialties: Garage doors and openers, pools, spas and hot tubs, fireplaces and wood stoves, asphalt paving and seal coating, exterior plaster and stucco, ornamental guardrail and prefabricated stairs.

Individuals who have a State of Minnesota Residential Building license are not required to obtain a Minneapolis license.

**Restaurant, Coffee Shop, Café, and Dining Room:** A food establishment with 13 or more seats and no beverage alcohol. If an establishment has 12 or fewer seats, a Food Manufacturer License is required.

Restaurant, delicatessen: An establishment that sells ready-to-eat foods, in bulk or individual servings, primarily for consumption off the premises, and is not a fast food restaurant.

Restaurant, sit down: An establishment engaged in the preparation and retail sale of food and beverages, which is characterized by table service to customers and is not a delicatessen restaurant, fast food restaurant or nightclub.

Restaurant, fast food: An establishment whose design or principal method of operation includes five or more of the following characteristics. In addition, any restaurant with a drive-through facility shall be considered a fast food restaurant if:

- 1) A permanent menu board is provided from which to select and order food;
- 2) Customers pay for food before consuming it;
- 3) A self-service condiment bar is provided;
- 4) Trash receptacles are provided for self-service bussing;
- 5) Furnishing plan indicates hard finished stationary seating arrangement;



6) Most main course food items are substantially prepared or cooked on premises and packaged in individual, non-reusable containers.

**Rubbish Hauler:** See Solid Waste Hauler.

### **Sales Related License Definitions**

**Seasonal Food Permit:** The sale of food and drink at multiple community events throughout the year. A maximum of two stands are allowed to operate for each permit.

**Secondhand Goods Dealer:** Any natural person, partnership, or corporation, either as a principal or agent or employee thereof, whose regular business includes selling or receiving tangible personal properties, excluding motor vehicles, previously owned, used, rented or leased. Class A: 400 or more transactions per year. Class B: 399 or fewer transactions per year. A license is not required for the following:

1) Garage, yard or estate sales held on private property of the seller or property owned, leased or rented by a charitable organization, where (a) the occupant owns the items offered for sale and none of the items were purchased for resale or consignment, (b) the owner conducts the sale and receives the proceeds, (c) sales do not exceed 72 consecutive hours, and (4) there are no more than two sales in any 12-month period.

2) Sales of books, magazines, postcards, postage stamps or philatelic material. Philatelic material includes postage stamps, revenue stamps, stamped envelopes, postmarks, postal cards, covers, and similar material relating to postal or fiscal history.

3) Sales by licensed precious metals dealers, pawnbrokers, used auto parts dealers, exhibitors or municipal market operators.

**Shooting Gallery:** Any public place or range for shooting and discharging firearms at a target for which a fee is charged. Shooting galleries or ranges maintained or operated by any military organization, police department or school and not available to the general public are exempt. Applicant must be a resident of Hennepin County and a registered voter for at least one year. If the applicant is a partnership, all members must be residents of Hennepin County and registered to vote for at least one year. Gambling is prohibited. No shooting gallery shall be located within 1,000 feet from a school, church, hospital or any

location which will result in the annoyance of any nearby resident. No shooting gallery shall operate between the hours of 1 a.m. and 9 a.m.

**Short Term Food Permit:** The sale of food and drink for up to 10 consecutive days for no more than three times annually at community-based events such as fairs, community celebrations, carnivals, circuses, promotional food product events, and sporting events, for example. A maximum of two stands are allowed to operate for each permit.

**Sidewalk Café:** A business licensed to sell food, beer or liquor for consumption and operating a portion of their business on the city sidewalk (right of way) immediately adjoining their business. Sidewalk café permits do not authorize placing or leaving any tables, chairs, furnishings, or other equipment during periods when the sidewalk café is not open and being operated *unless* the establishment is located in the Central Commercial District or the Lake and Hennepin PO Overlay District. A public hearing at the Regulatory, Energy and Environment Committee of the City Council may be required for license approval. Applicants with a liquor license must file a request for an Expansion of Premises for their liquor license.

**Sidewalk Food Cart Vendor:** An individual who sells prepackaged or limited ready-to-eat foods from a non-motorized mobile cart on public sidewalks or private property in downtown.

**Sign Hanger:** A person who installs, reconstructs, alters, repairs or removes signs on the exterior walls or roofs of any building. A sign is defined as a notice bearing a name, direction, warning, or advertisement that is displayed or posted for public view.

**Skating Rink:** A building that contains a surface for ice skating or roller skating.

**Solicitor, Charitable:** Organizations who solicit money or goods for charitable purposes. They must have tax designation as a 501(c)(3) and be registered in good standing with the Minnesota Attorney General's office. Individuals must complete the [Charitable Solicitors, Individual](#) registration.

See Canvasser, Peddler, Solicitor (Company), Solicitor (Individual) and Transient Merchant.

**Solicitor, Company:** Suppliers, whether individuals, partnerships, corporations or associations who engage employees, agents, or representatives to offer for sale an item or service for future delivery with advanced payment. This includes:

1) going from house to house or place to place in the city, or approaching other persons on public streets or sidewalks, selling, taking orders, or offering to sell goods or services, including repair, for future delivery and who demand, accept or receive payment or deposit of money in advance of final delivery; or

2) handing out cards or slips containing free chances on drawings or systematically approaching other persons to obtain their name, address or telephone number.

See Canvasser, Charitable Solicitor, Peddler, Solicitor (Individual), Transient Merchant.

**Solicitor, Individual:** An individual working independently for a supplier, partnership, corporation or association who offers for sale an item or service for future delivery with advanced payment. This includes

1) going from house to house or place to place in the city, or approaching other persons on public streets or sidewalks, selling, taking orders, or offering to sell goods or services, including repair, for future delivery and who demands, accepts or receives payment or deposit of money in advance of final delivery; or

2) handing out cards or slips containing free chances on drawings or systematically approaching other persons to obtain their name, address or telephone number.

See Canvasser, Charitable Solicitor, Peddler, Solicitor (Company), Transient Merchant.

**Soft Drink Manufacturer and Storage:** A person who manufactures, or maintains an establishment for the purpose of manufacturing, stores or otherwise deals at wholesale in beverages derived wholly or in part from cereals, fruits or substitutes thereof, carbonated waters, or beverages carbonated and noncarbonated beverages, artificial mineral waters, soft drinks, or essences for the manufacture of beverages or syrups.

**Solid Waste Hauler:** An industrial hauler who collects and transports solid waste for the purpose of disposal. Solid Waste includes building debris, garbage, litter, refuse, and rubbish. Solid waste does not include human excreted

matter, sewage or other water-carried waste, toxic and hazardous substances, or yard waste.

**Special All Night Bowling, Pool or Billiards:** Any establishment with either a bowling or pool hall/billiard license and an on-sale liquor, wine, or beer license may apply to remain open to the public for up to 24 hours per day for games of bowling, pool and /or billiards. Establishments that do not sell beer, wine, or liquor are not eligible for this license.

**Special Late Night Food:** Any establishment with an on-sale liquor, wine, or beer license may apply to remain open for food service beyond authorized alcohol service hours. The on-sale establishment must have sales from food and nonalcoholic beverages equal to at least 60% of gross sales revenues. Meal service must be provided during the special late hours, and the menu must include at least four entrees, sandwiches, or other principal food items. The business must be open for eight continuous hours daily, except Sunday, in addition to the hours authorized by the special late hours food license. Nightclubs are not eligible for this license. Example: On-Sale Restaurant or Banquet Hall.

**Steam and Hot Water Systems Installer:** An individual holding a valid certificate of competency issued by the City of Minneapolis who has the necessary qualifications, training, experience and technical knowledge to install, alter, repair and service:

- 1) Steam and hot water heating equipment and systems or
- 2) Cooling and steam piping equipment and systems.

A steam heating system is a heating system in which heat is transferred from the boiler or other source of steam to the heating units by means of steam at, above, or below atmospheric pressure, for purposes other than for heating.

**Street Photographer:** A person taking photographs, intended for sale, of any person on city streets or sidewalks.

**Sun Tanning Facility:** A place that provides ultraviolet lamps or products containing such lamps intended for the irradiation of any part of the living human body for cosmetic or nonmedical related purposes.

**Swimming Pool:** Any structure, basin, chamber, or tank constructed or designed to contain an artificial body of water for swimming, diving, relaxation or recreational bathing, and having a depth of two feet or more at any point, and a surface area exceeding 150 square feet, available for public use, whether or not a fee is charged. This includes hotels, health clubs, apartments and other pools available for use by the public. This license applies to hot tubs and whirlpools. Every location requires an application and certificate.

**Taproom:** A brewer (licensed under Minnesota Statute 340A.301) who sells for consumption malt liquor they produce on their premises. This license is exempt from maintaining minimum food service requirements.

**Tattooist / Body Piercer Establishment:** Any establishment where tattooing and/or piercing are practiced. Licenses issued by the state are also required for individual tattooists and body piercers.

**Tattooist:** Any person engaged in the practice of placing ink, or other pigment, into or under the skin by the aid of needles or any other instruments used to puncture the skin, resulting in permanent coloration of the skin. This includes all forms of cosmetic tattooing. **Body Piercer:** Any person engaged in the practice of puncturing or penetration of the skin and tissue of a person and the insertion of jewelry or other adornment into the opening. Puncturing the outer perimeter or lobe of the ear using a presterilized single use stud and clasp ear piercing system is exempt from this license.

**Tattooist, Temporary Events:** A temporary license for a convention (up to 7 days/2 per year) or guest artist event (up to 90 days/4 per year) that is sponsored by a licensed tattooist, piercer, establishment or professional organization. A temporary license is required for the event and for each tattooist/body piercer.

**Taxi Driver:** The operator of a taxicab vehicle.

**Taxi Service Company:** The company that, for each group of taxicab vehicle owners operating under a common color scheme, provides services and facilities such as radio dispatching, color rights, advertising, telephone listing, maintenance, insurance, credit accounts, driver assignments and record keeping. Companies must have a central place of business within 12 miles of Minneapolis City Hall be open 24 hours a day/7 days a week with the ability to receive telephone calls and dispatch vehicles by a two-way radio. Must also have a minimum of five vehicles. Vehicles must have of model year of five years or less unless they are wheelchair-accessible vehicles or fuel-efficient vehicles, which

can have a model year of eight years or less. 10% of vehicles must be wheelchair accessible. 10% of the vehicles must be fuel efficient (23 mpg/city). Vehicles that are wheelchair accessible and 23 mpg/city meet both requirements. Services must be listed in both the white pages and yellow pages of the Minneapolis telephone directory.

### **Taxi Vehicle:**

**Vehicle (L275):** A motor vehicle engaged in the business of transporting passengers for hire, with a seating capacity of seven persons or less and not operating on a fixed route or schedule. This license does not apply to limousines.

**Fuel Efficient Vehicle (L314):** A motor vehicle for hire that achieves 23 miles or greater per gallon of gasoline in city driving (23+ mpg/city driving).

**Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle (L315):** A motor vehicle for hire that is a minivan or similar vehicle specially adapted for wheelchair users and prioritizes requests for service from wheelchair users.

Any individual who drives a taxi licensed in Minneapolis is required to obtain a Minneapolis Taxicab Driver's License.

**Temporary Expansion of License:** License holders of on-sale liquor, wine, or 3.2 beer establishments may apply for a Temporary Expansion of License for:

1. premises that are directly adjacent and contiguous to their permanently licensed premises and/or
2. entertainment not otherwise allowed under the establishment's permanent license.

Individual establishments may be granted this license for up to four events in any 12- month period. Licenses may be granted for up to two consecutive days per event. If an establishment is located in the central commercial district or the TCF Stadium area, licenses may be granted for any combination of events/days but cannot exceed 12 days in any 12-month period. Example: Oktoberfest with live band and dancing in the parking lot.

### **Temporary License/Permit Definitions**

**Temporary On-Sale 3.2 Beer:** Minnesota Statutes authorize this license only to a charitable, religious, or nonprofit corporation; a political committee registered

under MN Statutes Sec. 10A.14; or a club as defined by MCO 360.10. No individual organization shall be granted this license more than four times per year or for more than 10 days. No more than 12 licenses shall be granted in any one calendar year at any location except for the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Parade Stadium. Minimum distance requirements from schools or churches (300 feet) do not apply to this license. Example: Fundraising events.

**Temporary On-Sale Liquor:** Minnesota Statute 340A.404 authorizes this license only to a charitable, religious, or nonprofit corporation in existence for three years; a political committee registered under MN Statutes Sec. 10A.14; or a club as defined by MCO 360.10. Minimum distance requirements from schools or churches (300 feet) do not apply to this license. No organization shall be granted more than one temporary license for the sale of alcoholic beverages within any 30-day period. No organization shall be granted temporary licenses for more than 3 four-day events, 4 three-day events, 6 two-day events, 12 one-day events, or any combination that exceeds 12 days per calendar year. No more than 12 licenses shall be granted in any one calendar year at any location. Wine Tasting Events, as defined by Minnesota Statute 340A.418 are limited to four hours or less. Example: Fundraising events.

**Temporary On-Sale Wine:** Minnesota Statute 340A.404 authorizes this license only to a charitable, religious, or nonprofit corporation in existence for three years; a political committee registered under MN Statutes Sec. 10A.14; or a club as defined by MCO 360.10. Minimum distance requirements from schools or churches (300 feet) do not apply to this license as defined in MCO 360.125(3). No organization shall be granted more than one temporary license for the sale of alcoholic beverages within any 30-day period. No organization shall be granted temporary licenses for more than 3 four-day events, 4 three-day events, 6 two-day events, 12 one-day events, or any combination which exceeds twelve (12) days per calendar year. No more than 12 licenses shall be granted in any one calendar year at any location. Wine-tasting events, as defined by Minnesota Statute 340A.418, are limited to four hours or less. Example: Fundraising events.

**Theater:** A building or part of a building for housing dramatic presentations, stage entertainments, or motion-picture shows. Fees are determined by location in the city (zone) and number of seats.

**Tobacco Dealer:** The sale, exchange, or barter of tobacco or tobacco-related devices. No tobacco dealer's license shall be granted for any establishment in the C-1 zoning district after July 25, 2008.



**Tobacco:** Cigarettes, cigars, other smoking tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, or any other forms of tobacco prepared in such manner as to be suitable for chewing or smoking.

**Tobacco-Related Devices:** Any tobacco product as well as pipes, rolling papers, hookahs or other devices intentionally designed or intended to be used in a manner that enables the chewing, sniffing or smoking of tobacco or tobacco products.

**Self-Service Merchandising:** Open displays of tobacco, tobacco products, or tobacco-related devices in any manner where any person shall have access to the tobacco or tobacco-related devices without the assistance or intervention of the licensee or licensee's employee. Assistance or intervention entails the actual physical exchange of the tobacco or tobacco-related device between the customer and the licensee or employee.

**Self-Service Method:** Sales of tobacco or tobacco-related devices whereby the customer does not need to make a verbal or written request to an employee of the licensed premise to receive the tobacco, or tobacco-related device, and no physical exchange of the tobacco or tobacco-related device occurs between the customer and the licensee, an employee or agent of the licensee.

**Vending Machine:** A mechanical, electric or electronic device, regardless of locking mechanism that is used for the purposes of dispensing tobacco or tobacco-related devices. The sale of tobacco by vending machine shall require a license. In the case of a vending machine, the license shall be held by the person or organization that has control and supervision of the premises.

### **Trades Related License Definitions**

**Transient Merchant:** Any individual, partnership or corporation, who engages in any temporary and transient business selling goods in this city, either in one locality, or traveling from place to place in this city and hires, leases, or uses a building, structure, vacant lot, or any other property within the city for the exhibition and sale of such goods. May also provide goods for immediate sale on private property.

See Canvasser, Charitable Solicitor, Peddler, Solicitor (Company), Solicitor (Individual).

**Tree Servicing:** The felling, grinding, chipping, cutting, trimming, removal or hauling of trees, limbs, branches, stumps or roots that are two inches or more in diameter at the point of cutting or contact. Tree Servicing also includes the



application of pesticides to a tree. Individuals with Garbage or Refuse Haulers' License are exempt from obtaining a license if they are engaged solely in removing or hauling away trees or parts thereof from property.

**Valet Parking:** A business where a patron's vehicle is removed from a space on the public street to a private parking area for storage and subsequent retrieval upon the patron's request.

### **Vehicle License Definitions**

**Vending Machines:** A self service device offered for public use which, upon the insertion of a coin, bill or token dispenses a serving of food or beverage. Bottled and canned soda machines are exempt. This license permits two free vending machines located on the premises if they are owned and maintained by the licensee.

**Wholesale Sausage Manufacturer and/or Distributor:** Manufacturing, processing, preparing or distributing of any sausage, for sale at wholesale. This license prohibits retail sales. Sausage is a prepared food, usually made from ground meat, animal fat, salt, and spices, typically packed in a casing. Sausage making is a traditional food preservation technique.